



**CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE
COST ESTIMATE**

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**H.R. 1113
Colusa Basin Watershed Integrated Resources**

As ordered reported by the House Committee on Resources on June 21, 2000

SUMMARY

H.R. 1113 would authorize the Secretary of the Interior to provide financial assistance to the Colusa Basin Drainage District for reducing damage from flooding, alleviating land subsidence, restoring or preserving wetland and riparian habitats, and capturing surface and storm water. The Colusa Basin Drainage District covers about 600,000 acres of land in California. H.R. 1113 would authorize the appropriation of \$25 million, plus additional amounts that may be necessary to cover increased costs of this assistance that are attributable to inflation.

Assuming appropriation of necessary amounts, CBO estimates that implementing H.R. 1113 would cost \$11 million over the 2001-2005 period, and about \$16 million after 2005. The bill would not affect direct spending or receipts; therefore, pay-as-you-go procedures would not apply.

H.R. 1113 contains no intergovernmental or private-sector mandates as defined in the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act (UMRA). State and local governments might incur some costs as a result of the bill's enactment but those costs would be voluntary.

ESTIMATED COST TO THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT

The estimated budgetary impact of H.R. 1113 is shown in the following table. The costs of this legislation fall within budget function 300 (natural resources and environment).

	By Fiscal Year, in Millions of Dollars				
	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005
CHANGES IN SPENDING SUBJECT TO APPROPRIATION					
Estimated Authorization Level	0	1	2	4	4
Estimated Outlays	0	1	2	4	4

BASIS OF ESTIMATE

For this estimate, CBO assumes that the bill will be enacted near the beginning of fiscal year 2001 and that the estimated amounts necessary to implement the bill will be appropriated for each year. The bill would authorize the appropriation of \$25 million for financial assistance to the district. Our estimate of the timing of this spending is based on information provided by the Colusa Basin Drainage District. CBO estimates that spending of about \$16 million would occur after 2005, assuming the necessary funds are provided.

PAY-AS-YOU-GO CONSIDERATIONS: None.

INTERGOVERNMENTAL AND PRIVATE-SECTOR IMPACT

H.R. 1113 contains no intergovernmental or private-sector mandates as defined in UMRA. State and local governments might incur some costs as a result of the bill's enactment, but those costs would be voluntary.

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